

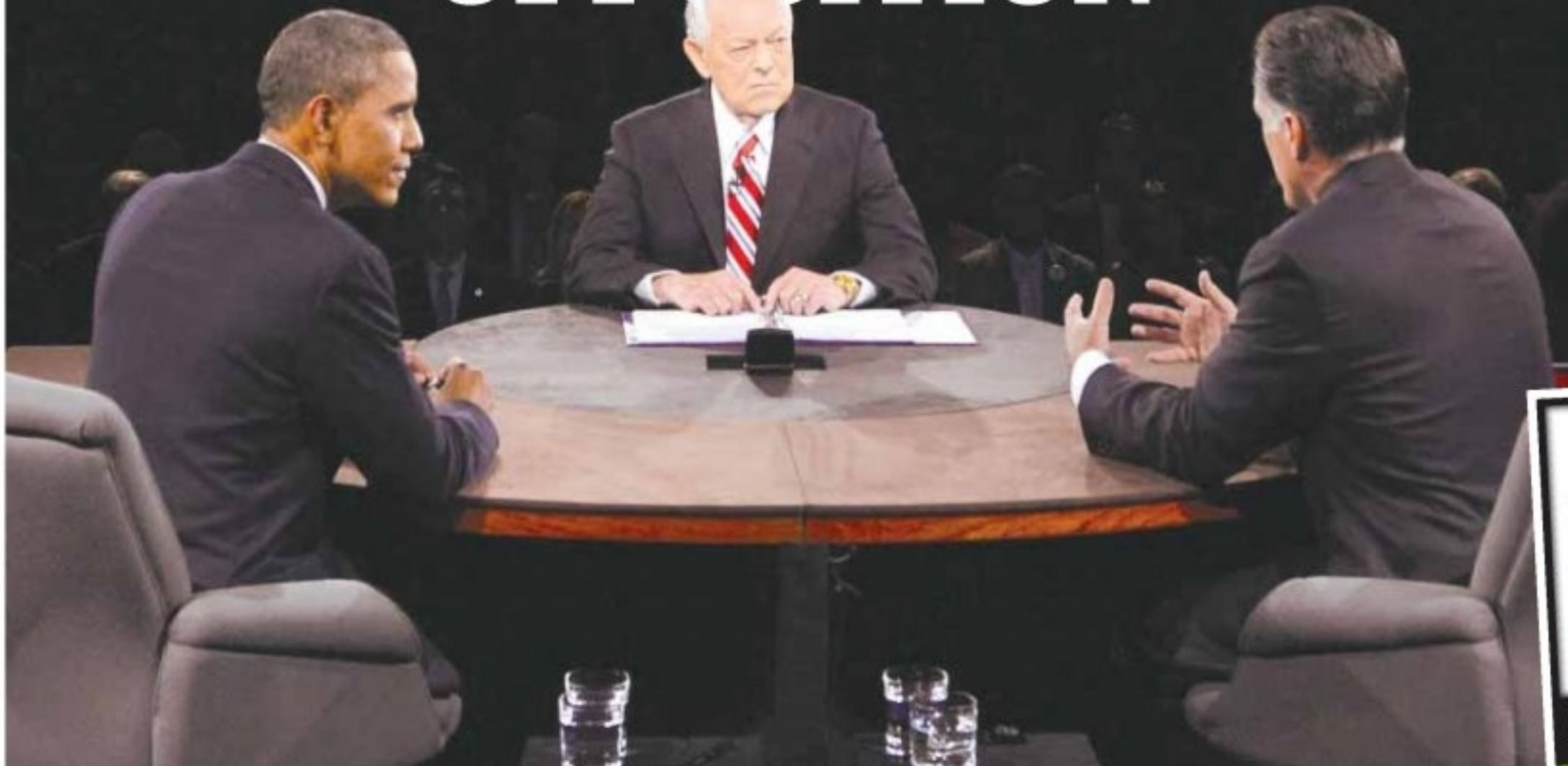
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In the news

Baby missing in Montco

Police in Upper Merion have issued an Amber alert for an infant after she went missing from her slain grandmother's home yesterday. Saavni Venna, 10 months old, disappeared sometime between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. from a home on West Dekalb Pike, police said. She is described as an Asian-Indian girl weighing 21 pounds with black hair, brown eyes, last seen wearing a white dress with pink flowers.

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In the news

19.1M

Viewers on average for the six-game 2009 World Series, between the Phillies and the Yankees, which represented a 40-percent jump over the previous year's Winter Classic between the Phils and the Tampa Bay Rays. The Yanks' loss this week is likely mourned by MLB officials.

Dusting off some relics

► Philly sites relegated to dustpan of local history gaining new life
 ► Writers give them new tales to tell

Laurel Hill Cemetery, accessible by a steamboat ride up the Schuylkill River in the 1840s, was a popular Sunday afternoon destination for picnics and carriage rides.

A stretch of homes at the 1500 block of North 17th Street that currently have boards in lieu of windows were built as 1886 mini-mansions by Willis G. Hale, the same architect who designed the once-majestic Divine Lorraine, another relic of Philadelphia's past.

Such institutions whose cultural import have been obscured by the dust left in progress's wake are documented in "Forgotten Philadelphia," an exhibition at the Fairmount Park Welcome Center featuring poems, short stories and visual art inspired by the transformation over time of 15 sites.

"People drive by these places all the time and don't realize the stories behind them,"

Quoted

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CHRISTINE WESIER

said Christine Wesier, founder of literary magazine Philadelphia Stories, which put together the exhibition. "I think a lot of us don't necessarily see these treasures in our backyard."

The jewel that caught co-founder Carla Spataro's eye was the former Metropolitan Opera House, which has since unwittingly found itself back in the spotlight as a key component of the planned revitalization of North Broad Street.

"I have a background as an opera singer, so the building has always fascinated me since I moved to Philadelphia 23 years ago and they almost tore it down," Spataro said. "It just seemed like the possibility for stories were pretty limitless." The 4,000-seat hall, built in 1908 to house Oscar Hammerstein's Philadelphia Opera Company, has been a silent film theater, a vaudeville house, a ballroom, a sports venue, an abandoplex and a church.

Spataro in a short story profiles a Met employee whose decline mirrors that of the aging theater: A formerly beautiful vaudeville performer is reduced to selling 10-cent dances.

Hitting the road

Weiser is taking the show on the road — she plans to anthologize the exhibition in a book and display at additional locations in the Tri-State Area. "I think Philadelphia, in general, is kind of a forgotten story, a story that is not told as frequently as some other cities," she said. "And I think, in that regard, this is one more way we can celebrate the great cultural heritage of Philadelphia." METRO/AW



► Writer Carla Spataro, left, with her husband, wrote about the old opera house on North Broad.

RIKARD LARMA/METRO

New lore

Some local lore the artists found inspiring include:

The Dox Thrash House, 2340 W. Columbia Avenue (now Cecil B. Moore Ave). This North Philadelphia residence was home to printmaker Dox Thrash for the majority of his life. Thrash was an innovator

in the art scene of the mid-1900s, known for documenting daily life in the city's growing African-American working class neighborhoods. The Dream Garden Mosaic in the lobby of the Curtis Center at 6th and Walnut streets. Designed by Maxfield Parrish and created by Tiffany Studios in 1916, each of the 100,000 pieces of glass comprising the mosaic is hand-

fired to match one of 260 colors. "The experience of 'finding' it for the first time as it exists, tucked amid the busy streets around Washington Square, nearly forgotten, is perhaps the most magical part of the mural," the exhibition's description of the mosaic reads.

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A better ride along the Delaware River

PORT RICHMOND. City and state officials broke ground yesterday for a 1.5-mile trail restoration project.

The project will redesign an L-shaped section of Delaware and Allegheny avenues to accommodate pedestrians and cyclists and connect the neighborhood to the Delaware River. The streets will be narrowed,

1.5 City and state officials broke ground yesterday for a 1.5-mile trail restoration project.

while planters and trees are added, along with a recreational trail.

The project is part of a federal effort to create more green space. METRO



► Easier to get to?

RIKARD LARMA/METRO

Suspect in South Philly convent thefts nabbed

SOUTH PHILADELPHIA. A 26-year-old man was charged with burglary in the theft of about \$1,100 from St. Gabriel's Convent on two separate occasions last week, police said.

William Hagans, of the 1200 block of McKean Street, is accused of entering the Dickinson Street convent through an unlocked window

on Wednesday and Thursday and taking money that was supposed to be used to purchase Christmas gifts.

A suspect fitting Hagans' description was caught on surveillance video from a private residence near the convent, authorities said. He was arrested Sunday. Hagans is being held on \$100,000 bail.

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Parks. New path



► Plenty of dog walkers will be using the bridge, considering the dog park directly below it.

RIKARD LARMA/METRO

Safe travels on the Schuylkill trail

The newest addition to the ever-improving Schuylkill River trail through Center City is a pedestrian bridge that opened Saturday and spans the CSX rail tracks at 25th and Locust streets. The area was often dangerous for pedestrians who tried crossing the tracks despite freight trains lumbering by at times. METRO

FBI steps up search for local police corruption

Agents with the Federal Bureau of Investigation are not unfamiliar with Philadelphia and officials Monday announced doubling efforts to crack down on those who abuse public office.

It will feature a toll free tipline and billboard campaign called "End Corruption Now," with signs placed on major roadways throughout the area. Officials said they have also doubled the number of agents working on corruption — 24 agents up from 12 a year ago — and created a new squad specifically targeting law enforcement corruption.

The campaign will run for about five months and focus on fraud and corruption at the federal, state and local levels.

"We feel that it's an area where you have to have zero tolerance. We've got to aggressively always work it," George



► Growing in numbers

Quoted

"We feel that it's an area where you have to have zero tolerance."

VENIZELOS, ON LAW ENFORCEMENT CORRUPTION

Venizelos, special agent in charge of the FBI's Philadelphia division, said at a press conference. "But it's also an area that's very difficult to get people to come forward, difficult to uncover major corruption matters because they are extremely sensitive."

City Inspector General Amy Kurland said she believes city employees are getting the message about corruption.

"What that shows, in my view, is that things are changing in the city because city employees are coming forward, they are reporting corruption immediately," she said. "We had several cases like that where our big investigation started with tips from city employees."



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Who ya gonna call? The feds

The new tip line, 1-855-FBI-TIPS (1-855-324-8477), will allow citizens to provide information anonymously, officials said. Venizelos said tips from the public are often what help investigations get under way.

"We need to not let up," he said. "We need to keep the pressure on, we need to keep finding people who will come forward and uncover corruption."

Also involved in the initiative are the U.S. Attorney's Office, state attorney general and inspector general, the city inspector general and the Philadelphia Police Department.



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► "Ritual Union Jammu, Indian" is by Jocelyn Ortiz.

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In the news

Russia slams US record on human rights

MOSCOW. Russia accused the United States yesterday of double standards on human rights, criticizing its failure to close Guantanamo Bay prison

and its use of the death penalty while U.S. Congress considers a law which could punish Moscow for alleged abuses.

Russia attempted to "reset" their relations when President Barack Obama entered the White House in 2009, but ties have turned decidedly cooler. **REUTERS**

Armstrong stripped of Tour de France titles



► Armstrong

Lance Armstrong was stripped of his seven Tour de France titles and banned for life yesterday after the International Cycling Union ratified the United States Anti-Doping Agency's sanctions against the American.

The long-awaited decision has left cycling facing its "greatest crisis," according to UCI president Pat McQuaid, and has destroyed Armstrong's last hope of clearing his name.

"Lance Armstrong has no place in cycling. Lance Armstrong deserves to be forgotten in cycling," McQuaid told a news conference as he outlined how cycling, long battered by doping problems for decades, would have to start all over again.

"The UCI wishes to begin that journey on that path forward today by confirming that it will not appeal to the Court

Quoted

"I was sickened by what I read in the USADA report."

UCI PRESIDENT PAT MCQUAID

of Arbitration for Sport and that it will recognize the sanction that USADA has imposed.

On Oct. 10, USADA published a report into Armstrong that alleged the now-retired rider had been involved in the "most sophisticated, professionalized and successful doping program that sport has ever seen."

Armstrong, 41, had previously elected not to contest USADA charges, prompting the agency to propose his punishment pending confirmation from cycling's world governing body. **REUTERS**

Sponsors flee

Here is a list of the sponsors who've dropped American cyclist Lance Armstrong.

► **ANHEUSER BUSCH:** Will end its relationship with Armstrong when his contract expires at the end of 2012

► **NIKE:** Dropped the disgraced cyclist over the doping scandal last week

► **OAKLEY:** Dropped Armstrong yesterday following the UCI decision

► **OTHERS:** Trek Bicycles, energy-drink company FRS, helmet sponsor Giro and Honey Stinger, a maker of foods and gels for athletes, have distanced themselves from Armstrong. Radioshack said it has no current obligations with Armstrong.

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Ancestry website to be sold for \$1.6B

Genealogy website operator Ancestry.com agreed to be acquired for \$1.6 billion by a group led by Europe-based private equity firm Permira Advisors LLC, four months after it put itself up for sale following the cancellation of a TV show based on its research.

The company, whose website helps users trace their family roots, will be taken private at \$32 per share, a 10 percent premium to the stock's Friday closing price of \$29.18.

Shares of the company rose to \$31.49 in early trading on the Nasdaq yesterday. They have risen 17 percent since June 5 when the company said it was looking for a buyer.

Being owned by private equity and having a much smaller base of owners puts Ancestry.com in a better position to achieve long-term growth, BMO Capital Markets U.S. ana-



The show

Built around tracing celebrities' family histories through Ancestry.com's databases was a major driver of new subscriber additions for the website. Ancestry.com went public in 2009 and has about 2 million paid subscribers.

lyst Edward Williams said. "The reality of their business model is it allows for excess volatility in shares," Williams said.

The company, which sponsored the U.S. version of the popular British series "Who Do You Think You Are?" suffered a blow in May when NBC decided not to renew the show for a fourth season.

REUTERS

Ancestry.com

- Based in Provo, Utah
- The largest genealogy-based website in the world
- Has access to 10 billion family records
- Contains 38 million personal family trees
- Has more than 2 million paying subscribers
- Parent company started by two Brigham Young University students, Paul B Allen and Dan Taggart, in Provo

10B

Has access to 10 billion family records

38M

Contains 38 million personal family trees

2M

Has more than 2 million paying subscribers

News in brief



Solyndra plan to end bankruptcy approved, despite government claims

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE.

Solyndra, the solar panel maker that failed despite a \$528 million federal loan, won court approval for its plan to repay creditors and end its politically charged bankruptcy after a judge overruled objections by the U.S. government.

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Mary Walrath in Delaware rejected the government argument that the plan was improper because its main purpose was to provide tax

breaks.

Venture capital firms Argonaut Private Equity and Madrone Capital Partners will control Solyndra's tax breaks, known as net operating losses or NOLs, that are potentially worth \$341 million after the bankruptcy. **REUTERS**

Carter: Israel not committed to two-state solution

JERUSALEM. Former U.S. President Jimmy Carter on said the Israeli-Palestinian peace process had reached a crisis point and that Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's government was not pursuing a two-state solution.

"That policy of promoting a two-state solution seems to be abandoned now and we are deeply concerned about this move toward this catastrophic so-called one-state choice. ... This is a major concern," Carter told a news conference. **REUTERS**

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Bankin' on the cash

GOP gives Romney the financial edge

Romney held a financial advantage over Obama heading into October thanks to strong fundraising by the Republican Party that will allow its candidate to spend more on the last stretch toward the Nov. 6 election.

Campaign finance disclosures show Romney, the Republican National Committee and the fund they use jointly had \$183.1 million in cash on hand at the end of September.

Obama's campaign on its own has dwarfed Romney's in the money stakes in recent months, raising \$136.2 million in September, according to a Reuters tally of latest reports. The Romney campaign alone raised much less: \$76.1 million, according to filings with the Federal Election Commission. **REUTERS**

\$183.1M

GOP'S CASH ON HAND



\$149.1M

DEMOCRATS' CASH ON HAND

Obama touts peace while Romney assails 'tumult'

Mitt Romney said Barack Obama doesn't have a clear plan for stabilizing the Middle East, while the president said his Republican challenger's policies have been "all over the map" as the two met for their last debate.

Last night's faceoff at Lynn University, moderated by Bob Schieffer of CBS News, showcased the two rivals' different paths toward what are often similar goals on foreign policy. Obama emphasized working with allies to put pressure on adversaries; his Republican rival stressed U.S. military might and said he'd be tougher on Russia, China, Iran and terrorists.

"We can't kill our way out of this mess," Romney said, after listing what he described as growing threats in Syria, Libya, Mali, Egypt and Iran. While he congratulated Obama for the raid that killed terrorist leader Osama bin Laden, he said, "we must have a comprehensive strategy" to reject extremism.

Obama went after Romney, the former governor of Massachusetts, for not having a clear vision for the world and for once saying Russia was the biggest geopolitical foe facing the U.S.

"I know you haven't been in a position to actually execute foreign policy, but every time you've offered an opinion, you've been wrong," Obama

"When it comes to our foreign policy, you seem to want to import the foreign policies of the 1980s, just like the social policies of the 1950s and the economic policies of the 1920s."

"We can't kill our way out of this mess. We're going to have to put in place a very comprehensive and robust strategy to help the world of Islam and other parts of the world to reject this radical violent extremism."

► Obama, above, and Romney clash at the third and final presidential debate.

said.

The president also said he's succeeded at his No. 1 goal.

"My first job as commander-in-chief is to keep the American people safe and that's what we've done over the last four years," Obama said as the event

kicked off last night in Boca Raton, Fla.

The foreign-policy focused debate may have represented the last chance for a game-changing event before the Nov. 6 election.

The distinctions may be "de-

tail or nuance, but I will tell you as a former practitioner, those actually make a huge deal of difference," said Eliot Cohen, a former Defense Department and State Department adviser, who now counsels the Romney campaign. **BLOOMBERG**

The verdict

Analyst: Last debate was a 'wash'

There were no clear winners in the third and final debate, according to Larry Ceisler, a longtime political analyst in Philadelphia.

But Obama showed confidence and command of foreign policy that often comes after serving four years in the White House, Ceisler said.

"This was a wash," he said. "I don't think there were winners or losers, but the president showed a command. He was very sure of himself."

In the end, the debate turned back to the economy and both candidates made final strong pitches to voters, he said. **METRO/BXM**

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WHY AREN'T DRONES TOPIC OF DEBATE?

Hopefully last night's third and final presidential debate was more nuanced than the "which candidate threatens countries with the most gravitas and swagger" contest that foreign-policy debates too often become. But even at its most substantive, it's unlikely the debate challenged the candidates on the most disturbing parts of our foreign policy, about which they both agree.

So far, President Barack Obama has authorized nearly 300 drone strikes in Pakistan alone — six times the number of strikes conducted by the Bush administration. Since 2004, drone strikes in Pakistan have killed between 474 to 881 innocent civilians, including 176 children, according to a nine-month-long study conducted by Stanford and NYU law schools.

The study also revealed that, at best, these drone strikes have killed fewer than 100 high-level targets. Despite the Obama administration's claims that it will "only authorize a [drone] strike if we have a high degree of confidence that innocent civilians will not

Quoted

Since 2004, drone strikes in Pakistan have killed between 471 and 881 innocent civilians, including 176 children, according to a nine-month long study ...

be injured or killed, except in the rarest of circumstances," killing a single high-level target in Pakistan has cost the lives of four innocent civilians and two children, on average.

Worst of all is the practice of "double tapping," where a second drone strike targets the same location soon after the first strike, killing or maiming first responders attempting to rescue those injured by the first attack. The use of double taps creates a despicable kind of psychological torment. The family of those who have been injured or killed in the first attack must resist the overwhelming urge to rush in to rescue their loved ones, often for hours, out of fear of a possible second attack.

The legal justification for these attacks is tenuous at best. The administration has killed at least three U.S. citizens in targeted killings, none of whom were charged with any crime, and without any discernible due process subject to review by another branch of government. Yet, for the part of Obama's foreign policy perhaps most deserving of criticism, you'll find no disagreement from Mitt Romney.

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New Temple voters hearing both sides

Millions of college students will be voting in their first presidential election in two weeks. Both parties, as well as numerous nonpartisan groups, have devoted the fall to registering students, who can choose to vote either at their campus address or their home address.

At Temple University alone, about 7,000 students registered to vote this semester, according to Dylan Morpurgo, president of Temple's College Democrats.

Now that the registration period is over, both Temple's College Democrats and College Republicans have turned their attention to energizing voters. In addition to a traditional debate, the groups will meet this Friday for an "undebate": a session to ask questions about the candidates and their policies. "When you are politically active, you tend to hang out with people who hold the same



► Students from the College Democrats and Republicans have been working together at Temple.

70%

In 2008, 70 percent of college students were registered to vote; of those who were registered to vote, 87 percent actually did so.
Source: www.civicyouth.org

views you do," says Erik Jacobs, president of the College Republicans. "But when the Temple Dems and Temple Republicans can come together, it's an opportunity to hear the other sides of the arguments from smart, rival sources."

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— Dorothy Robinson will return tomorrow.

Celebrity Halloween: A how-to guide

- For all those hard at work on a showstopping Halloween costume, we salute you
- For all those planning to rummage through the closet at 9 p.m. on Oct. 31, we feel you
- These celebrity-inspired costumes won't win you any contests, but they'll probably qualify you for free candy



Tina Fey

This one's easy: Just throw on a pair of designer glasses that perfectly fit your face. Then get a blow-out that's not too fussy but adds enough volume and shine to show you care. Lose 15 pounds, and wear something young but expensive. Accessorize with a great job and a ton of talent that you brush off. Wait a second — Tina Fey, we're on to you, girl.



Zooey Deschanel

The essentials: A vintage A-line dress, lots of eyeliner, sexy librarian glasses, knee socks, rainbows. Bonus points: An entourage of girls in their 20s who resent you for reasons they can't quite explain.



Sexy Louis C.K.

Cut a too-deep V in an oversize black T-shirt that's faded enough to really show the grease stains. If possible, resist the urge to retell any C.K. jokes about having sex with dead things.



Prince Harry

Shower with things that smell rich, woody and a little clueless. Put on a very large, very expensive watch. Don't read anything about how to play pool. And ... well, you're good to go.



Avril Lavigne/Chad Kroeger

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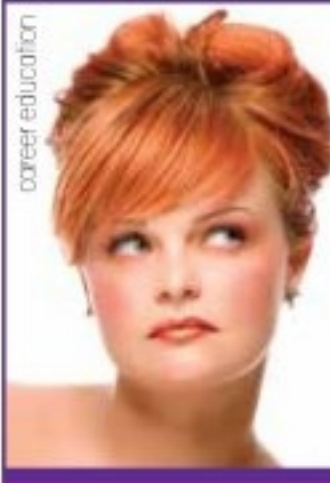
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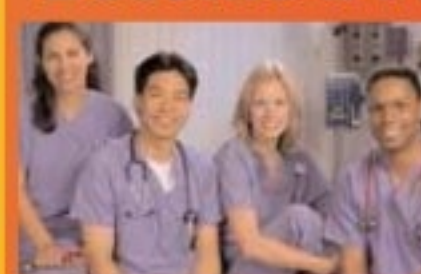
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George Clooney is P.I.M.P. and other pictures for your Tuesday

1 Robert Pattinson greeted fans during a "Breaking Dawn — Part 2" fan event at Fox Studios on Monday in Sydney, Australia.

2 Steve Martin of Steve Martin and the Steep Canyon Rangers performed at the 26th Annual Bridge School Benefit at Shoreline Amphitheatre on Saturday in Mountain View, Calif.

3 While her co-star Robert Pattinson was in Australia, Kristen Stewart promoted "Breaking Dawn — Part 2" in Japan.

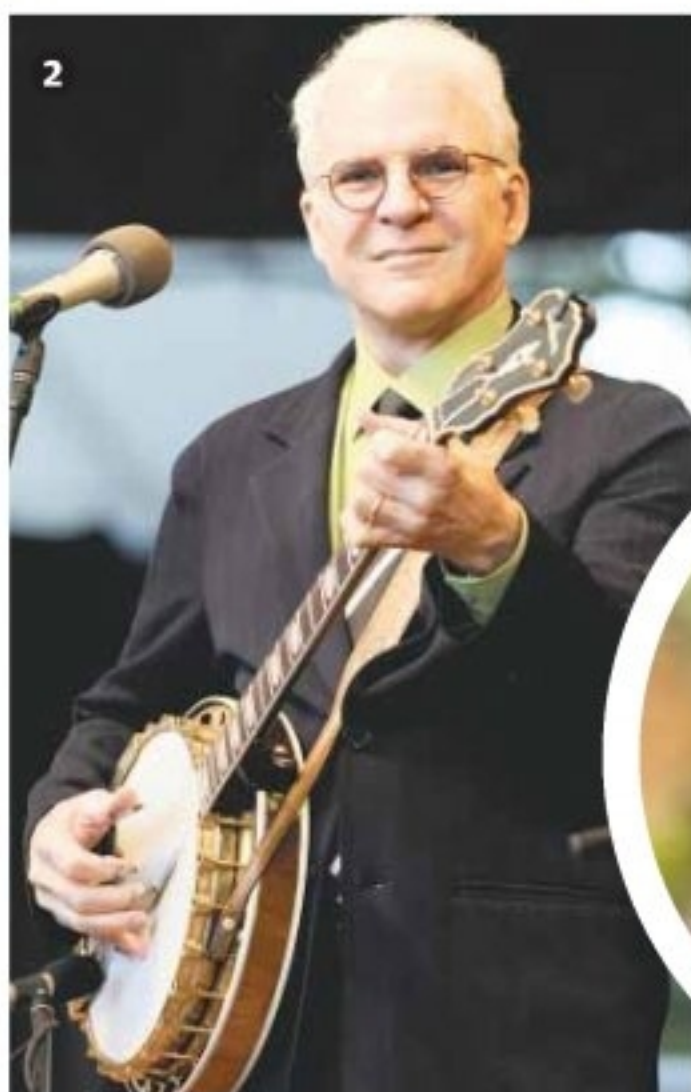
4 Taye Diggs attended the Syracuse Tribute to Taye Diggs (let's hope he did) at the Four Seasons Hotel in Beverly Hills on Saturday.

5 Julianne Hough, George Clooney and Stacy Keibler popped up at the 26th Anniversary Carousel Of Hope Ball at the Beverly Hilton Hotel on Saturday in Beverly Hills.

6 Lisa Vanderpump and her dapper pooch walked the red carpet at the "Real Housewives of Beverly Hills" Season 3 premiere party at the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel on Sunday.



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While promoting 'The Oranges,' her new film about life in the suburbs, Alia Shawkat discusses what it's been like on the set of her resurrected sitcom, 'Arrested Development,' in which she returns as Maeby Funke

The sarcastic, know-it-all daughter is the kind of character 23-year-old Alia Shawkat feels comfortable playing, after having spent years in the skin of such a girl on Fox's acclaimed and subsequently canceled sitcom, "Arrested Development." Since the show has resumed production for Netflix six years after it went off-air, rabid fans are dying for clues about the new season. Until they air, audiences can tide themselves over with Shawkat's turn in the sophisticated ensemble comedy, "The Oranges." In the film, Shawkat stars as a promising young designer, Vanessa, who is living at home years after college graduation, getting caught up in the maelstrom of drama that occurs when her father (Hugh

"We're all so excited. The writing is better than ever, so everyone has a really good attitude."

SHAWKAT, ON SHOOTING A NEW SEASON OF "ARRESTED DEVELOPMENT"

Laurie) falls for their neighbor (Leighton Meester), who just so happens to be Vanessa's age.

Your character in "The Oranges" seems stuck, dare we say, in a state of arrested development. Why do you think that is?

I think that stage after college is an awkward stage for a lot of people. You don't know what you're going to do. Your par-

ents have enough money to be like, "You can stay here," and [they] don't kick you out. You almost wish your parents kicked you out so that you could get a bad job and figure out what the f— you're doing. ... I think she has a very regular life in New Jersey, which I used to have in the summers in high school: You just, like, smoke pot. You're in a suburban town

Q&A

What has it been like to be back on the "Arrested Development" set?

We're shooting till mid-November. It's been f—ing awesome. We keep looking at

each other going, "This is so weird!" I was a teenager when I was on the show, so me and Micheal [Cera] in particular are like, "This is so weird." I feel like a teenager in a weird way, but I'm not rushing back to the school room in between takes. I'm actually getting to hang out

with everyone. But my same insecurities of a teenager have started to come back — like being kind of awkward and not knowing how to talk to the adults. I was like, "I've done a lot of s— these last six years. I know who I am, kind of." But it's some of the most fun I've ever had.



Alia Shawkat plays the disenchanted Vanessa Walling in "The Oranges," which is in theaters now.

and you just drive around and go see movies.

Since you're shooting "Arrested Development" after six years away, has the dynamic changed?

I think so. It's such a unique experience. In what world do you get to work with the people you worked with six years ago? It's been really great. We're all so excited. The writing is better than ever, so everyone has a re-

ally good attitude.

Do you have a sense of how the series is building up to a movie?

I think we're taking it one step at a time. We're shooting these [episodes] and then seeing how it does. There's no real plan. We'll see how well these do and then hopefully we'll make more.

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► Max (Adam Pally) helps Penny (Casey Wilson) recover from an accident on "Happy Endings."

TV watch list

'Happy Endings'

COMEDY. There are endings (a newly unemployed Brad) and beginnings (Dave and Alex are on again) as Season 3 premieres. Also: Penny winds up in a body cast, because it's funny. Season premiere, 9 p.m., ABC



► James Van Der Beek

'Don't Trust the B— in Apt. 23'

COMEDY. James Van Der Beek ponders participating in a "Dawson's Creek" reunion. Emancipated Katie Holmes — are you listening?! Season premiere, 9:30 p.m., ABC

'Raising Hope'

COMEDY. Jimmy and Sabrina

attend a prenuptial marriage retreat. So do their parents, including Sabrina's mom's new boy toy (guest star Wilmer Valderrama). 8 p.m., Fox

'Pretty Little Liars'

DRAMA. The teens once again take part in a Halloween party that puts Heidi Klum's lavishly spooky annual affair to shame. 8 p.m., ABC Family

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Music

The House always wins

Swedish House Mafia's brand new "Until Now" has just been released in two versions, including a deluxe edition that clocks in at about an hour and 20 minutes. Listening to "Until Now" is like a space



Swedish House Mafia

exploration in which you spot things you recognize as you leave the Earth, but they look a little different from your new perspective. Then the Swedes take you to regions of the dance floor so deep that the songs feel like black holes. Recognizable bursts include cameos from Coldplay, Usher and Florence + the Machine; deeper cuts feature collaborations with Miike Snow and Steve Aoki. We're streaming parts of the album online at www.metro.us.

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'The Middlesteins': Food for thought

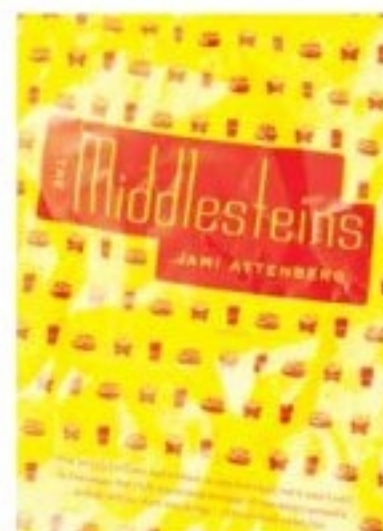


► Jami Attenberg's "The Middlesteins" follows three generations of one family. It's in bookstores now.

► In her latest novel, 'The Middlesteins,' author Jami Attenberg handles the passage of time and calories with a deft ease and literary eye ► It's a portrait of a family coming apart due to one woman's food obsession

Red onion on warm rye bread. Salty liverwurst. These are the foods that not-so-little Edie dreams about when we first meet her at age 5 in Jami Attenberg's new novel "The Middlesteins." Even as a little girl, she is "a cement block of flesh," Attenberg writes. And as the reader gets to know Edie, that mass doesn't thin out.

"The Middlesteins" revolves around the four Middlesteins (Edie, her husband Richard, her daughter Robin and son Benny) with Franzen-esque layers. It's a character-driven work, but food is the motivator. "It is a really tricky topic; it makes people feel nervous," says Attenberg of the Middlesteins' complicated relationship with eating. "Food makes you feel so good, and it's necessary. But it's also one of those things that people can abuse. If they overeat or under-eat, it's there for all to see. It's a



Quoted

"I was interested in the idea of what happens when you hit rock bottom — in what it would take for someone to change." ATTENBERG

very present addiction."

Attenberg handles the passage of time and calories in the book with a literary eye; she's already been praised in her nonvoyeuristic depiction of an overeater. "I was interested in what it would take for someone to change," she says about how she approached her characters. "I was more interested in the difficulties of trying to help someone who might not want to be helped."

Attenberg, the author of

three previous books, says "The Middlesteins" was the easiest one to write — she had a draft written in four months. So which is the bigger obsession for her, food or writing? She laughs: "I keep saying that if I could have all the time back that I spend thinking about what I'm going to eat for dinner, I'd have 10 more novels written."

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How to come around to your child coming out

► The way parents react to and deal with their child coming out has a huge impact on the daughter or son's life and the future of their relationship ► New book provides an essential and insightful map

Fighting for the rights of LGBT Americans have initiated kiss-ins, parades, protests, marches and a wide array of fiery and bitter polemics from all sides

of the political spectrum. But the public battles often begin with a quieter reality: the first time an LGBT person comes out to his or her parents. "Coming Around: Parenting Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Kids," a new book by Dr. Anne Dohrenwend, seeks to make that first conversation — and the subsequent ones — as relaxed and positive as possible.

"I want to give people a place to start," Dohrenwend says of her book, which is written for liberal and conservative parents alike. "Often people do come around. After accepting and learning and loving your child who is gay, it breaks down the stereotypes."

For Steve Scott, there was a



► Author Anne Dohrenwend with her son Leo. Dohrenwend is a professor and Ph.D. in counseling psychology.

long pause at the other end of the line 11 years ago when he called to tell his religious parents that he was gay. Now, Scott is a member of the Gay Men's Chorus of Los Angeles and an active participant in the push for gay rights in California. For Scott, the conversation that began with

telling his parents he was gay continues with the fight for marriage equality. Last week, Scott sent off a package with books and pamphlets for his father in Nebraska after the two engaged in a heated debate.

"It's kind of an ongoing conversation; even now we're still discussing issues," Scott says. "I

realize and understand it's very tough for him. It's something he's actively trying to comprehend and register."

According to Dohrenwend, Scott and his father are doing the most important thing: communicating. It is vital between parents and an LGBT child of any age, at all stages of the

coming-out process.

"Kids are more resilient when they feel their parents accept them," says Dohrenwend, who notes that this acceptance is particularly important when they come out earlier in life.

Tips for parents

How to communicate that whatever your child's sexual orientation, you will never withdraw your love:

- **Don't try to change your child.** It is unproductive to force children to be something that they are not.
- **Take a stance against discrimination and hate.** Parents of LGBT children don't need to march in parades or be active politically, but they should take a stance against discrimination.
- **Don't give unwanted advice.** Dohrenwend suggests that a good way to parent any child, especially an adult child, is to give less and less advice that isn't asked for. Respecting boundaries is important.
- **Get to know your child's friends and partner, and try to make them feel comfortable in your home.** This is how parents of LGBT children can make sure their children stay near them and keep the communication lines open.

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Insert a shovel anywhere within the New Jersey-sized country of Israel, and you'll find a trace of one, if not each, of its past reigning civilizations. Or just visit Caesarea, on the Mediterranean Sea, north of Tel Aviv.

Herod, the king of Judea — yes, that Herod — built the city about 25 years before Jesus was born in the area. Designed as an appeasement to Rome and a show of its power, Herod constructed the first man-made port in history.

"It was an artificial harbor in an open sea," exclaims Jacob Sharvit, marine archaeologist with the Israel Antiquities Authority, whose excitement for the site is still palpable. "They



► This detail comes from the largest tomb in Beit She'arim, where the Mishnah (the first book of Jewish law) was codified.

understood everything about the wind, the currents. If we were building it today, we'd use different materials, but do it the same way."

Visitors don wetsuits and, with a waterproof map, explore the ruins — the original breakwater, a Roman shipwreck, Byzantine anchors — in

an underwater museum. There's much to see on land as well, including an amphitheater, hippodrome and bathhouse and the foundation of an imposing palace that once jutted into the crashing Mediterranean waves.

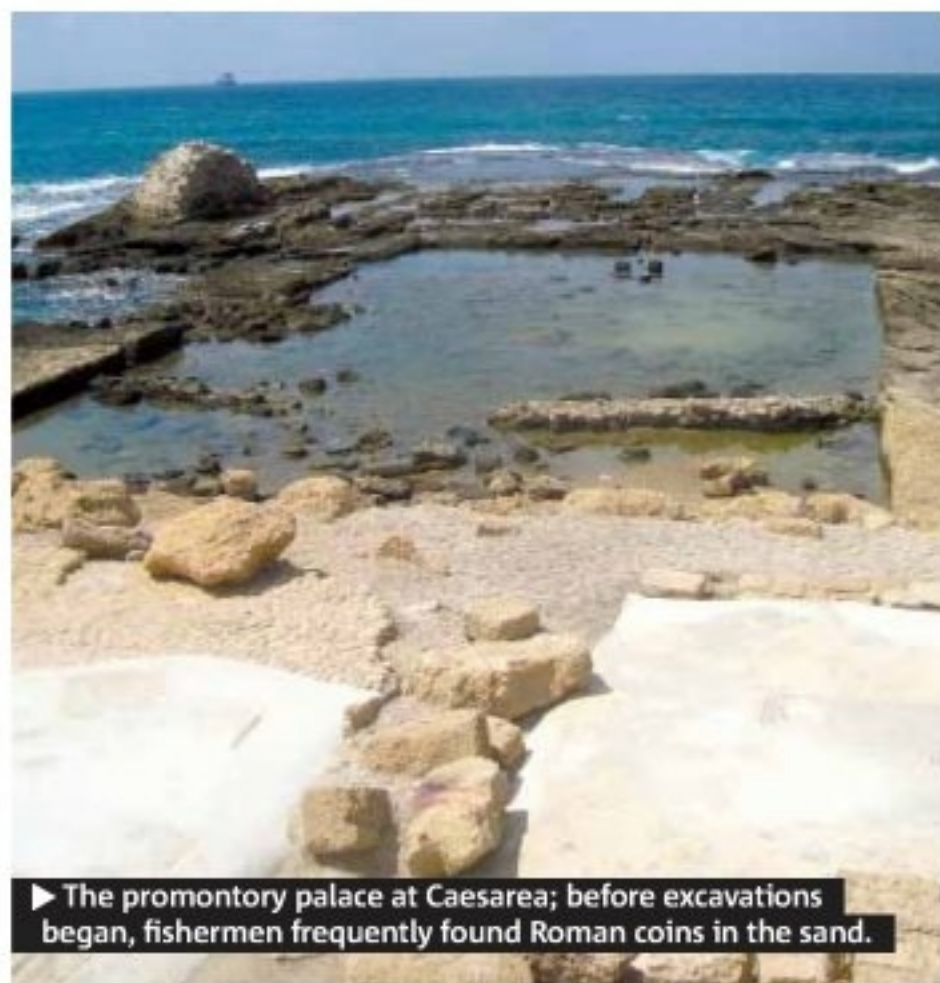
After Herod's death, the city became the local Roman capital (Pontius Pilate was prefect) until the year 640, when it was taken by Arabs, who ruled until the Crusaders came in 1101.

The Crusaders occupied the city on and off until it was taken by the Mamluks in 1261, who left it in ruins. Bosnian Muslim refugees moved there in 1878, later fleeing during the war of 1948. Each community left its signature in city

walls, repaired breakwaters and houses of worship.

And that's just Caesarea proper. Adjacent to the city's north side are remains of a Phoenician settlement predating Herod. And nearby — 100 meters off shore and 11 to 12 below sea level — marine archaeologists are uncovering a 10,000- to 11,000-year-old Neolithic settlement. Sharvit explains that the work is brand new and has not been published yet, adding with enthusiasm, "It's like a puzzle: You find pieces, and try to understand the whole picture. I love working in the sea."

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► The promontory palace at Caesarea; before excavations began, fishermen frequently found Roman coins in the sand.

Q&A

If you go, get a guide

Israel is small, but it would take a lifetime to explore it fully. A certified guide is not only your invaluable convoy to the logistics of safe travel in the area, but also to the constantly shifting complexities of its historical and current relationship to the rest of the world. No one understands this better than the affable **Michael Bauer**, whose educational **Galim Tours** (www.galimtours.com) are preeminent in Israel.

Your backpack is full of history books.

Israel is a place that one will never finish studying. The more I learn, I realize there is more to learn.

You lean toward complication rather than simple answers. Why?

Any simple answer leads to the next question, which eventually leads to the complexities of faith, science and politics. For those interested in these, Israel is a haven.

What do you love most about the job?

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Are some people's opinions more equal than others?

RE: "WHAT? A POLITICIAN TAKING CREDIT?" / "PART OF AMERICAN PUBLIC SEEING RED" (METRO, OCT. 22) The letters page of Oct. 22 was most illuminating. One one hand, you printed Shana Cuddy's letter, in which she raised a specific argument about Mr. Romney's "binders of women," and supported with easily verifiable facts. On the other hand, you also printed John Sangenario's point-free, content-free ragefest, in which he hurled hyperbole and bombast like a monkey flinging its poo. Just like the monkey, I'm sure it must have made Mr. Sangenario feel better. To carry the analogy further, printing letters like his just creates a mess

that responsible adults must clean up. You do us a disservice when you print letters that create much heat, but little light. **ERIC BLOCK, VIA E-MAIL**

John Sangenario should stick to facts instead of vitriolic rhetoric. The destruction of our lives started with a Republican congress repealing Glass-Steagall allowing banks to gamble and let their losses be covered by the American people. We already have a "ruling class," and it's trying to buy the election. **DAVID GRISWOLD**

To those who appear to be die-hard conservatives: With all due respect, what exactly has President Obama done to have a person like John Sangenario state in his e-mail to the Metro paper, "Did you

ever think you would see a time in America when our president so despises the principles and ideals our country was founded on that he is willing to destroy the lives of its citizens by creating unconscionable dependency on a few 'ruling class' socialist"? What evidence, policy or position can you cite to support this claim? **DARRYL PEARSON, VIA E-MAIL**

The more things change ...

Debates are worthless theater used to create an illusion of an actual democratic process. I watch them for entertainment, not with any hope of obtaining actual substance. Since the beginning of human history — and as far back in known history as the

Gracchi brothers in the second century B.C., the single issue has always been: Can the few elite hoodwink or convince the majority to bear the burdens, yet allow the greater part of the societal benefit to go to this small class of natural predators? **LEWIS WALSH, VIA E-MAIL**

McGovern has been unfairly maligned

RE: "WAR CRITIC ROUTED BY NIXON IN 1972 DIES" (METRO, OCT. 22) Sen. George McGovern was ahead of his time. McGovern's platform, including ending the Vietnam War, also called for spending the billions wasted on the war to be used for rebuilding America along with saving lives by bringing the troops home sooner rather than later. McGovern was too proud to emphasize his military experience as a decorated World War II bomber pilot against Nixon, who attempted to portray him as soft on national defense.

LARRY PENNER, VIA E-MAIL

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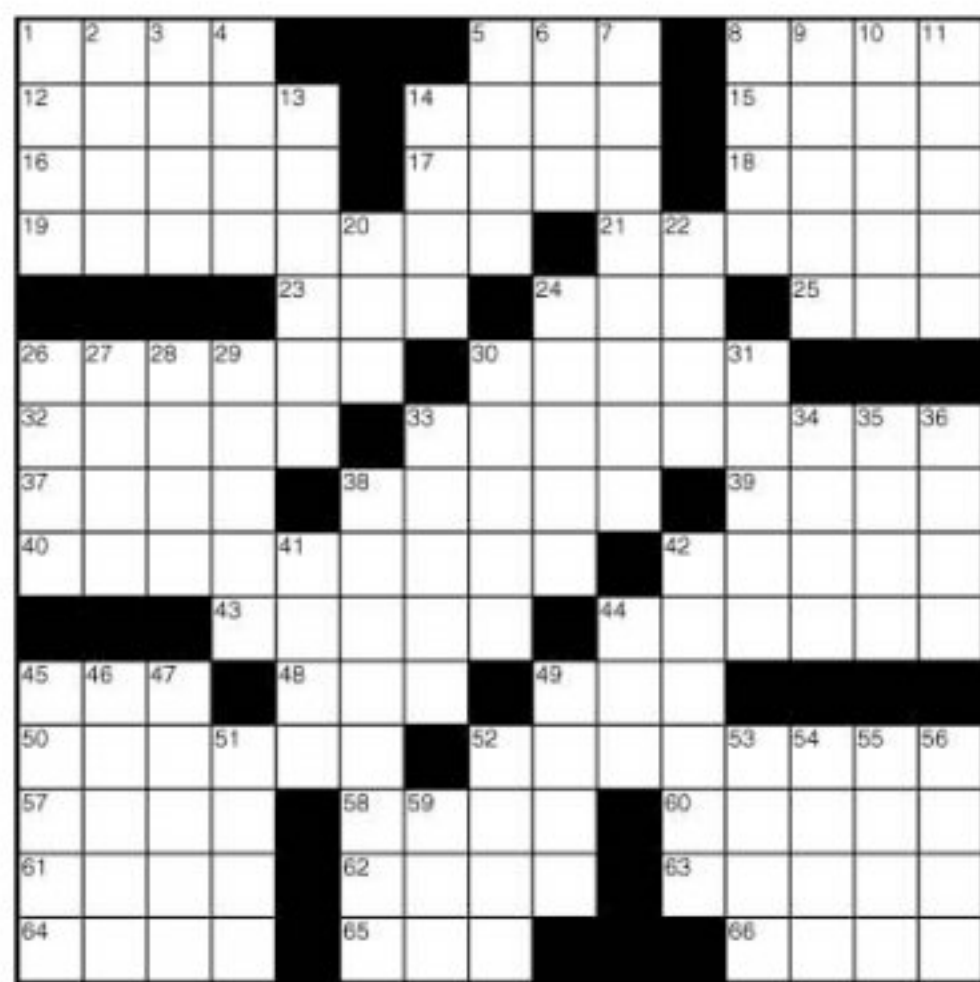
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Opinion

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THE VOICE OF THE
PHILLY SPORTS FANREID HIM THE
RIOT ACT, UNTIL
COACH IS GONE

While Andy Reid was spending the past week evaluating the Eagles, fans were using the same microscope on the longtime coach. In the end, they both came up with one big move. Reid fired defensive coordinator Juan Castillo. And the fans decided that Reid should go with him.



► Castillo was fired because Reid put him in a bad spot.

Unfortunately, the customers don't wield the same power that Andy Reid does, so Juan Castillo is gone and Reid is still here. But the message of the past week was as obvious as the scraggly mustache on the embattled coach's face. It's over. Goodbye.

All that remains is the endgame on this era, 10 weeks of chaos followed by the dawning of new hope under a different coach. In his 14 years with the Eagles, Reid has never endured a week like the past one, sparking anger reminiscent only of the final days of Rich Kotite.

In the eyes of the fans, Reid has failed this season in every significant way, from his dysfunctional lines to his turnover-prone quarterback and to one bad strategic judgment after another. The Eagles are 3-3, but not to the fans. He is 0-6 to them, en route to 0-16.

Even the decision to dismiss Castillo drew boos — not because the likeable assistant deserved to stay, but because he was in that impossible position to begin with. Reid openly acknowledged that this failed experiment was his own fault, that Castillo deserved better than the humiliation of a dismissal six games into the season. There was no justice in Castillo leaving but Reid staying — not to fans.

And after that decision, the silence from Reid was not received well, either. His defensive line hasn't recorded a sack in three games — a drought unmatched in 29 years here — and crusty assistant Jim Washburn has borne no public blame for that disgrace. Nor has the other greybeard on the staff, Howard Mudd, whose offensive line has been even worse.

By the end of last week, Reid sent word out that Marty Mornhinweg — fresh off a horrific sequence of play-calls in the Detroit loss — and Mike Vick would remain as offensive coordinator and starting quarterback, respectively. What exactly did Reid see on the game film that led to those

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decisions? Or did he do nothing because Reid is responsible for the offense, too?

No one escaped the scrutiny of the fans in the past week. Not loudmouths Trent Cole and Jason Babin on the defensive line. Not turnstiles Danny Watkins and Demetress Bell on the offensive line. Not special teams coach Bobby April and his underperforming unit, and not GM Howie Roseman, who helped to assemble this flawed roster.

But in the end, of course, it all led back to Andy Reid and a growing resentment between him and the fans that no one victory will resolve. Reid is a dead man walking to Eagles fans. Prepare yourself for a very ugly ending. It's inevitable now.

— Angelo Cataldi is the host of 94 WIP's Morning Show, which airs weekdays 5:30-10 a.m.

Idle thoughts from Cataldi ...

1 Enough is enough. Now the Penn State zealots are demanding, on billboards throughout Pennsylvania, that the school honor Joe Paterno for "a lifetime of service." Will these people ever understand that their football hero is still a hero only to the clueless?

2 Heat is on. Charlie Manuel said last week that he's not the least bit worried about his job now that heir apparent Ryne Sandberg is on his staff. The Phillies manager might feel a lot differently a year from now — especially if he manages as badly as he did this season.

3 Good will Hunter. Is it really possible that we all thought Hunter Pence would be the next big star on the Phillies? What were we thinking? He may be an even worse player in San Francisco than he was here. (For the record, Pence is batting .163 in the 2012 postseason.)

4 Communist block. Roger Goodell acts like he's running the Soviet Union in the 1970s, not the NFL in 2012. He just appointed his predecessor, Paul Tagliabue, to hear the appeals in Bountygate. Oh, yeah. The New Orleans Saints will get a fair hearing now. Sure they will.

5 Funny guy, huh? Former Eagles president Joe Banner said that his primary goal running the Browns is to make Cleveland "the most fan-friendly organization in sports." Which just goes to prove, Banner can be a really funny guy when he puts his mind to it. ● ANGELO CATALDI

Chief concern



Switch it up

The Chiefs are turning the offense over to Brady Quinn.

Matt Cassel has been benched in favor of Quinn, the team announced yesterday. Cassel had committed 14 turnovers in his first five games before sustaining a concussion. The Chiefs are 1-5 so far and face Oakland Sunday.

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Soul inks Raudabaugh after record-setting '12

The Soul kicked off free agency by locking up Dan Raudabaugh to a two-year deal. The veteran quarterback will be with the team through the 2014 season.

Raudabaugh, 25, established single-season franchise records for passing yards (4,790) and touchdowns (115) in 2012. He completed 362 of 540 passes (67 percent). Under his watch, the Soul racked up 1,228 points scored and appeared in the ArenaBowl.



► Raudabaugh (right)

"This is a quarterback-driven league, so it is extremely important to make sure you have a top quarterback locked in," said Soul coach Clint Dolezel. "Dan is a proven leader on and off the field. He has been familiar in our system for the past few seasons and continues to improve each year."

Raudabaugh took over as the starting quarterback in the final two games of the 2010 campaign. **METRO**

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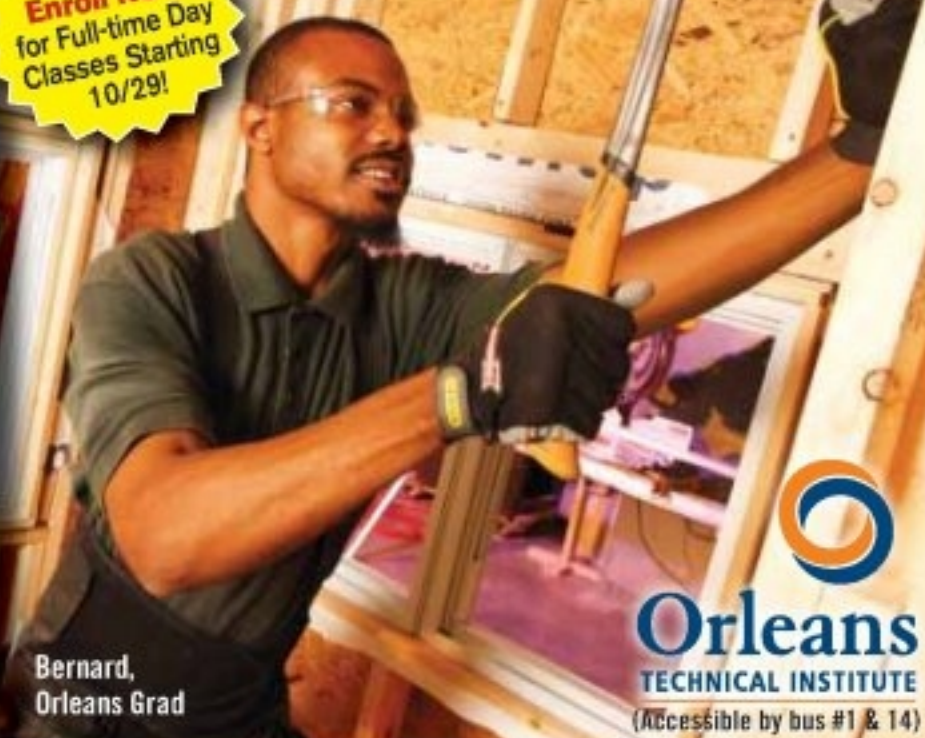
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Opinion

Time marches on, even for Chooch

If you are at all sentimental (if memories of 2008 still get you through the night), you should stop reading this right now. You will hate what follows here.

The Phillies should contact every team in baseball today and let them know that Jimmy Rollins and Carlos Ruiz are available. That's right. Two of the most important players of the most successful era in team history should be traded this winter. It's so obvious, GM Ruben Amaro Jr. might even see it.

Cashing in on the still-impressive numbers of Rollins is a no-brainer. His skills are declining, but contenders looking for a savvy veteran with a productive bat and a reliable glove at shortstop cannot ignore what he offers. Of course, they will have to look away when he refuses to hustle, but laziness is hardly a quality exclusive to Rollins.

If Amaro could undo the three-year, \$33 million contract he gave to Rollins last year, he would. Freddy Galvis already is a superior shortstop, with at least some promise of a respectable bat. Saving \$11 million for other needs and getting 11 years younger at a key middle-infield position is too good to ignore.

Ruiz is equally appealing trade bait, coming off his best statistical season and entering



► Ruiz batted .325 with 16 home runs and 68 RBIs, all career highs.

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"The only thing stopping these obvious moves is the memory of what both departing players have meant to the Phillies."

CATALDI, ON RUIZ AND ROLLINS

the final year of his contract. Catchers rarely remain effective past their mid-30s, and the 33-year-old Ruiz is going to want more years than would be wise. Erik Kratz will be a serviceable replacement, offering more millions to invest in some big outfield bats.

The only thing stopping these obvious moves is the memory of what both departing players have meant to the Phillies. Note the past tense in that statement. Time marches on — and so should Jimmy Rollins and Carlos Ruiz.

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► Did the Lakers pull one over on the Sixers when they traded Andrew Bynum and his hobbled knees?

Let the buyer beware ... always

Andrew Bynum received injections in both of his 24-year-old knees, the last step (we hope) before he returns to help make the Sixers a true contender this season. The goop that was shot into his already-arthritic joints will protect the bones from rubbing

together and causing more inflammation.

If the words above set off alarms in your head, well, they should. The Sixers traded Moe Harkless (a first-round pick in April), Andre Iguodala (no loss), Nic Vucevic and a future first-rounder for ... what, exactly? If Bynum is healthy, it is a spectacular deal, infusing the team with a monster presence in the middle and inspiring new life in the organization.

But since the trade, Bynum has traveled to Germany for an experimental procedure

on his knees and now he needed yesterday's injections. (He was to be examined by a doctor after the injections.) All of this comes before his first appearance as a Sixer on the basketball court. Even worse, Bynum will be a free agent at the end of the season unless the Sixers invest more than \$100 million to keep him. Hello? Does anybody remember Elton Brand?

After months of speculation, rumors began rippling through the Sixers organization last week that they are finally becoming

alarmed about the physical condition of their next big superstar. There have even been rumblings that the Los Angeles Lakers traded the young center because they knew his career would never match his potential, because of those knees.

Caveat emptor. Let the buyer beware. When the Sixers fleeced the Lakers a few months ago in that trade, we all said it seemed too good to be true. Based on the fragile nature of Bynum's knees, we were probably right.

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Defense ready to start fresh, begin Todd Bowles era

Nnamdi Asomugha seemed to be the catalyst for the decision to fire Juan Castillo. His comments following the Detroit loss, the ones where he openly questioned the former defensive coordinator's strategy, were quoted in every argument against Castillo. They also appeared to be out of character for the usually politically correct Asomugha. Yesterday, the cornerback explained.

"I had a tough time last week when those stories came out, to be honest," Asomugha said. "It was more so a character thing and that's something that I would never do as a player."

Asomugha didn't apologize for what he said, but he made it clear that he wasn't trying to throw Castillo under the bus. Coach and player had a nice heart-to-heart conversation last week, right after Castillo was fired, and smoothed everything out.



▶ Asomugha, left, and Dominique Rodgers-Cromartie will have a new coach calling the plays Sunday vs. Atlanta.

"It wasn't a good feeling," Asomugha said. "After speaking to him and him knowing that wasn't the case, I think it made

it a lot better. But I don't think that had anything to do with him being let go or anything."

With Castillo out, the defense must move forward. It's Todd Bowles' unit now, and the new defensive coordinator addressed his charges for the first time before practice yesterday morning. Asomugha didn't notice a change in the guy that had been coaching him up in the secondary for the first six weeks.

"He's a funny guy when he

Style points

What kind of style/attitude will Bowles bring to the struggling defense? Here's what his players said:

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"It doesn't matter what's going on, he's always going to be calm and just relaxed and stuff like that," said Nnamdi Asomugha.

"He's a smart coach ... He's going to do his due diligence and understand the game as far as the offense is going to attack us and you have to be able to adjust during the game," said Kurt Coleman.

gets up and speaks, so it wasn't like anybody was tense or nervous or anything like that," Asomugha said. "It was pretty much the same as always when he would have addressed us in the past."

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Spencer Hawes was there for the beginning and the end. The middle was a frustrating blur.

After getting off to such a promising start with four double-doubles in his first five games, the Sixers' center soon suffered a litany of injuries, the worst being a left Achilles tendon strain.

Hawes was out for 27 of 29 games during one stretch and — despite coming back and contributing — he wasn't the same player who began the season.

Entering the 2012-13 season, Hawes is rested and ready. He's in the best shape of his life and anxiously anticipating that first tip on Oct. 31.

"Last season was a learning experience for me," said Hawes, who still managed to average 9.6 points, 7.3 rebounds and 1.3 blocked shots per game. "Not playing was hard. I wanted to be on the court with my teammates, but at the same time, I knew that I couldn't rush back."

"The coaching staff gave me their full support. I feel great now and I'm ready for a breakout season."

Hawes came back with the understanding that he would likely switch roles to power forward with the addition of center Andrew Bynum.

It's a win-win situation in his mind.

"Getting Andrew, one of the best centers in the league, is a coup," Hawes said. "Any



► Hawes averaged 9.6 points and 7.3 rebounds per game in an injury-plagued 2011-12 season for the Sixers.

team would be happy to get a quality big man like that. This allows me to step out, shoot when I'm open, pass the ball, rebound and do what I do well. I think it's a great situa-

tion for me. If they need me to step in at center, I can do that, too."

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Future bright after busy offseason

The Sixers took a major step last season in pushing the Celtics to the brink in a seven-game Eastern Conference semifinal series. Following the offseason moves, the future looks even brighter. Just ask Spencer Hawes.

"I love what the franchise did in the summer," said Hawes. "I think the moves were great. We have to go on the court and prove now that we're ready to take another step." **METRO/AJ**

Heat favored to repeat in GM survey

The early results are in — and they aren't so rosy for Sixers fans.

The NBA's general managers were asked to make predictions in a survey posted on NBA.com. Predictably, they picked the Miami Heat to repeat as world champions and LeBron James to claim his fourth MVP trophy.

Not that anyone is expecting the Sixers to win a title this season, but the addition of Andrew Bynum (health questions aside) should have at least turned

them into a trendy pick out of the Atlantic Division, right? Not so much.

The Sixers were picked fourth in the Atlantic, behind Boston, Brooklyn and New York. They have a 6.7 percent chance of winning the division, per the survey.

Bynum was chosen as the second-best center in the NBA (after Dwight Howard). Bynum got 6.9 percent vs. Howard's 86.2 percent. Former Sixer Andre Iguodala was selected as the most underrated player acquisition (16.7 percent). Doug Collins came in No. 3 at which head coach makes best in-game adjustments. **METRO**



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